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The democrats of the third commissioners district are very much worked up over the county commissioner question. They are determined to have a candidate for appointment who resides in the district and no man in the district is more eminently qualified than A. D. Mitchell. Long before the meeting of the county executive committee it was understood that Candler had the preference in the choice of a candidate. This was conceded by all. Mr. C. J. Smith, of the Lake Weir precinct, recognized it from the fact that Candler has never had the choice of a candidate. In their unanimous choice of A. D. Mitchell, of Summerfield, on Saturday they were simply recognizing this claim by selecting an able man and one who resided in the district, little thinking their rightful claim would be entirely ignored at the meeting on Monday and a man selected who is not even a resident of the district. No wonder the whole district is up in arms with a petition to have Mr. Mitchell substituted.

The democrats of the Ocala district are evidently almost unanimous in favor of substituting F. A. Teague in preference to E. C. McLeod as a candidate for county commissioner, who was selected

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